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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER FROM FONMIN VAN DER STOEL
TO SECRETARY KISSINGER WHICH WE UNDERSTAND DUTCH
EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON WILL BE DELIVERING SHORTLY:

QUOTE

YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 14TH, WHICH ONLY REACHED ME ON
THE 21ST, HAS HAD MY VERY SERIOUS ATTENTION. WE SHALL
WELCOME A NEW PROPOSAL FROM YOUR SIDE WHEN THE
CONSULTATIONS ARE RESUMED AND SHALL STUDY IT IN THE
SPIRIT IT IS MADE. WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THE ONLY
PROPER WAY TO SETTLE THE CAPACITY ISSUE IS THROUGH
NEGOTIATION, AND THAT NEGOTIATION DEMANDS A CONSTRUCTIVE
APPROACH ON BOTH SIDES.

I FULLY SHARE YOUR DISTRESS OVER THE SITUATION RESULTING
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FROM THE ORDER TO FILE SCHEDULES WHICH YOUR CIVIL

AERONAUTICS BOARD (CAB) ISSUED TO KLM. HOWEVER, AS YOU KNOW, WE CONSIDER THAT THE ORDER TO FILE IS A SERIOUS AND SUBSTANTIVE MATTER INVOLVING GRAVE AND FAR REACHING CONSEQUENCES. I AM AWARE THAT YOUR COMMITMENT NOT TO TAKE UNILATERAL ACTION AGAINST KLM PENDING NEW TALKS DID NOT SPECIFY THE ACTION INTENDED.

I HAVE IMMEDIATELY BROUGHT YOUR URGENT APPEAL THAT KLM FILE ITS SCHEDULES TO THE ATTENTION OF MINISTER WESTERTERP OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS, REQUESTING HIS URGENT CONSIDERATION OF THIS MATTER, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE SUBSTANCE AND SPIRIT OF THE DISCUSSIONS YOU HAD WITH ME IN BRUSSELS ON DECEMBER 11TH, 1974.

MINISTER WESTERTERP INFORMED ME THAT HE WOULD NEED TO STUDY THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE QUESTION AND THE EVOLUTION OF THE SITUATION SINCE YOUR LETTER WAS WRITTEN.

I TRUST THAT THE SPIRIT OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING FOR WHICH WE CREATED THE CLIMAX IN BRUSSELS WILL PREVAIL WHEN CONSULTATIONS RESUME NEXT MONDAY 27TH, AND THAT A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SETTLEMENT WILL BE NEGOTIATED.
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